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### **PRESS RELEASE**

PHILADELPHIA – Acting United States Attorney Laurie Magid and Delaware County District Attorney G. Michael Green today announce the filing of an indictment<sup>1</sup> charging Vincent Lamar Franklin with one count of possessing a firearm after having been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment of a term exceeding one year. The indictment arises out of a criminal complaint filed in Upland Borough, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, on November 21, 2007.

This indictment is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, an initiative by the United States Attorney's Office, all District Attorney's Offices in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco Firearms & Explosives, and other law enforcement agencies to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendants are likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction.

#### INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Vincent Lamar Franklin	Chester, PA	26 years old

If convicted the defendant faces a statutory maximum possible punishment of 10 years incarceration, 3 years supervised release, a \$250,000.00 fine, and a \$100.00 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the Upland Borough Police Department, City of Chester Police Department, the Delaware County District Attorney's Office, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives, and is being prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney James B. Halligan, III.

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<sup>1</sup> An indictment or information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.